

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Berhard Inaritch, famous art dealer of London, is dead, aged 82. Mr. Daniel Lesh, Richmond, Ind., well known through the west, is dead. The agricultural department estimates the crop of cotton at \$8,900,000. The Elmwood Coal company, Peoria, Ill., has gone into the hands of a receiver. Terry McGovern, at Cincinnati, put Charles Mason of Chicago out in ten rounds. Mans' great brewery at Indianapolis, long idle, will be converted into a distillery. Former President Grover Cleveland is confined to his house with an attack of rheumatism. Illinois anti-department store bill of last legislature declared unconstitutional by state supreme court. Frank Doubleday will withdraw from the Doubleday-McClure in January to form another publishing company. Joseph A. Gill of Colby, Kas., has been confirmed by the senate as judge of the northern district of the Indian territory. The Georgia legislature has been asked to appropriate \$1,600 to found a summer school for teachers in the public schools. Congressman Bailey of Texas, at his own request, retires from the ways and means committee, Mr. Cooper being appointed instead. The total number of women over 12 years old employed in the factories and workshops of the British islands is about 500,000. Crawford Fairbanks of Terra Haute says the strawboard combine proposition has been abandoned. Manufacturers failed to unite. The Southern railway is opposing the use of cigarettes. An order has been issued for the southern division that all employees must stop using cigarettes or resign their positions. At Toronto, Ont., Lucius K. O'Brien, the landscape painter, is dead, aged 67 years. He painted many celebrated pictures, some of which were given a place in Windsor Castle at Osborne. The American Federation of Labor at Detroit, passed a resolution favoring the appointment of the next mining inspector of Missouri from the ranks of the lead and zinc miners. An invitation signed by Mayor Phelan and the grand officers of the Native Sons of the Golden West, has been sent to Admiral Dewey requesting his presence in San Francisco on admission day, September 9, 1900. Proof that the income tax in Germany operates with some difficulty is furnished by an official report from Hamburg showing that the tax collection department has been defrauded of 2,500,000 marks within five years. At Nicholasville, Ky., three children of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Reynolds, aged six, three and one, respectively, were burned to death. They had been locked in the house while Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds were on a visit to a neighbor. At Topeka, Kan., Frank McFadden, a member of company A, Twentieth Kansas, committed suicide by taking morphine. While in the Philippines he was detailed to act as assistant manager of the Manila Military railway. The will of the late W. G. Saunders of Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, has been filed for probate. The estate amounts to about \$400,000. He was a widower and left no children. Two-thirds of his estate he divided up among about 200 relatives and friends scattered all over the country. Every one who had been kind to him or his deceased wife will get a check for \$500 to \$1,000. Solicitors were sent out by the Citizens Republican Convention association to get pledges to the campaign fund of \$100,000, which is being raised to secure for Philadelphia the national convention of 1900. It is proposed by the executive committee to have the fund as large as possible before the week's end, so that the work in behalf of the movement may be started in other directions. The supreme court of Iowa has rendered a decision holding that a church subscription made on Sunday is collectible. E. M. Donald, of Fort Madison, defendant in a case brought by the First Methodist Episcopal church, appealed from a similar decision by the Lee county district court. Donald set up as defense that the obligation, having been entered into on Sunday, was illegal and that there was no consideration. Both claims are overruled. Physicians at St. Joseph, Mo., are greatly mystified over the condition of O. S. Buskirk, a farm hand sent to the county farm with a peculiar throat disease. For many years Buskirk has been shedding his outer skin once a year, but this year it came off four times. It slipped off his hands like a glove, leaving the flesh underneath as pink as that of a baby. For several days after he sheds his skin Buskirk is unable to work, on account of his hands and feet being tender. Iowa did not fare badly in the committee distributions, five chairmanships going to its members, which, with the speakership, gives the state almost as good a representation as Maine with only four members had when Reed was speaker and each member was at the head of a committee. These chairmanships are: Military affairs, Hull; public lands, Lacey; interstate and foreign commerce, Hepburn; expenditures of the treasury, Cousins; expenditures department of justice, Dolliver. Out of 1,100,000 in Massachusetts engaged in gainful occupations, only 37,000 are employed on Sundays. United States Consul Hollis cabled the state department announcing his arrival at Pretoria. He will act as United States consul at Pretoria until the arrival of Mr. Adelbert Hay. The distress in famine stricken districts of India is becoming more acute. Two and one-quarter million persons have received relief. The officers of the national W. C. T. U. have decided on Washington, D. C., as the location of the next convention. The convention will open November 30, 1900.

MONUMENT TO LAWTON

It Is Proposed to Be Erected by the People of Indiana.

MEETS MRS. LAWTON'S APPROVAL

The General Will Probably Be Buried at Arlington—Indicated in a Cablegram From Lieutenant Col. Edwards to Indianapolis Papers—Fund for Family Is Growing Large.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 23.—One of the afternoon papers early this morning wired Mrs. Lawton:

"Will you accept a monument from the people of Indiana?"

Later in the morning the following reply was received from Lieutenant Colonel Edwards, chief of staff, acting for Mrs. Lawton, and who has been designated to bring the body to this country:

"Yes, Arlington."

In addition to \$950 raised in this city for Mrs. Lawton, there has been subscribed already \$525 toward a monument for General Lawton. Bass post, Grand Army of the Republic, at Fort Wayne, tonight set a day for a mass meeting for popular subscriptions to the monument fund and formulated a request to Mrs. Lawton, asking that the body be buried at his old home there.

Judge R. S. Taylor of Fort Wayne is here. General Lawton was a law student in his office after the civil war. Said he:

"He was the man I looked to subdue the natives. If England had some generals like him the British soldiers would not be caught in any more Boer traps."

A call was issued today by the president of the Indianapolis Board of Trade for a meeting of the board of governors tomorrow afternoon, when formal action on the Lawton memorial will be taken and a committee will be named to act in conjunction with the committee named by President English of the Commercial club.

At Richmond a mass meeting was held today to start a movement to raise a fund for the erection of a monument to the memory of General Lawton in Indianapolis. All of the Grand Army of the Republic posts of the city met last night and adopted resolutions. Nearly all of them volunteered subscriptions either to the monument or aid fund, or both.

From the general interest evinced in the two movements it is believed Indiana will raise \$25,000 for the monument in a week or more and a sum over half as large will be raised for Mrs. Lawton. Three newspapers of the city are featuring the funds and devoting their first pages to their furtherance.

AWFUL CHRISTMAS TRAGEDY.

Eleven Children Burned to Death While Rehearsing.

QUINCY, Ill., Dec. 23.—While the school children of St. Francis parochial school, Seventeenth and Vine streets, were rehearsing this afternoon for an entertainment to be given next Tuesday evening one of their dresses caught fire from a gas jet and ten minutes later four of them were burned to death, two died on the spot and five others died before midnight. Half a dozen others were burned more or less seriously. Irena Freiberg, May Waverling, Mary Althoff, Bernadina Freund, Colletta Middendorf, Mary Hickey, Wilhelmina Guttendorf, Olivia Timpe, Addie Futterer, Josephine Bohne, Margaret Warner.

All these are between 9 and 11 years of age.

Helen Soebbing and several other teachers, Father Nicholas and Prof. Frank Mushoff were painfully burned in trying to save the children.

The fire started in a little dressing room. Three or four little girls were there dressing for the rehearsal and laughing gaily among themselves.

A dozen others were grouped in the wings of the stage near the foot of the stairs descending from the dressing room. The girls in the dressing room had nearly completed their costumes when one of them brushed against the gas jet but which it was will never be known. A touch of the flame was sufficient and in an instant her dress of cotton and light cloth was in a blaze. She screamed and ran out of the room, communicating the blaze to the others.

Fifty Millions for War.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The urgent deficiency appropriation bill, the first of the important supply bills for the government expenditures, is practically made up and the total will amount to about \$51,000,000. The items have already been sent in by the several departments and these are being put together so that the appropriation committee will be able to submit the bill to the house soon after it assembles. Of this amount \$45,157,871 is asked for the War department, and \$3,143,740 for the Navy department.

Baths for Christmas.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Andrew Carnegie has given \$2,000 to provide swimming baths and a gymnasium for Dunfermline. In a letter he says: "This will reach you in time to be a Christmas gift to the town from its loyal son."

Forty Children Drowned.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 23.—Upward of 40 school children were drowned today in an ice accident at Freylingenham, near the French frontier. The children of the district had been given a holiday with permission to play on the frozen Lys. When the merriment was at full height the ice broke suddenly and the children disappeared. A few were rescued half dead, but the majority were drowned. Thirty-six have been recovered, but others are still missing. The catastrophe spread consternation throughout the town, where nearly every family suffered loss.

FAREWELL TO GEN. BROOKE.

Former Governor General Tendered a Banquet on Eve of Departure.

HAVANA, Dec. 23.—Sixty-five persons were present at the farewell banquet tendered to General Brooke today at the Paris restaurant. General Mario Menocal presided and Mr. Ernest Lee Conant acted as toastmaster. Health of General Brooke, said:

"General Brooke was called upon to govern Cuba under the extremely difficult conditions of transition from the old, narrow system to the new, liberal regime and he did so without injuring the rights of any one. Cubans will always remember him with gratitude and love."

Major General Wood, who spoke briefly in response to words of welcome, said:

"The United States is in Cuba in the person of representatives who intend to carry out a great work and to fulfill strictly the promises of the United States congress. As for myself, I can only do what the president has sent me to do, but I hope to enjoy the esteem and confidence of the Cuban people as General Brooke has enjoyed them."

General Ludlow said:

"Those American officials who remain behind may count themselves fortunate if, when the time comes for them to leave the island, they are followed by the respect and good wishes of those whom they in turn leave behind, as General Brooke is about to do. The Cubans have had not better friends than the American officers."

General Brooke, in responding, said in part:

"I shall always remember the long hours of toil in Cuba, but I shall also ever recall the kindness shown me by all Cubans, especially by those who realize that the Americans are their best friends."

General Brooke will leave tomorrow for Tampa. A squadron of the Seventh cavalry and a battery of the Second artillery, with a band, will escort him from the palace to the wharf. A major general's salute will be fired from Cuban as the steamer leaves the harbor at 3 o'clock.

A general's salute will be fired in honor of General Wood.

The Patria says:

"Cubans were formerly accustomed to say that the autonomists forfeited all right to be called Cubans by the shameful manner in which they abused their short term of office, giving all the good billets to their own kinsmen and friends. But, after the shameful way in which the first revolutionary government has wound up its first term of office, having given all the billets it could to its own friends, the Cubans are forced to realize that Spanish corruption has contaminated the heart of the present generation. We must look to the schoolmaster to build a generation of honest citizens."

At today's meeting of the municipal council a motion was made to send an address of thanks to President McKinley for his candid references to the Cuban people and the future of Cuba in his recent message to congress. The motion was rejected on the ground, as asserted by the political speaker in opposition, that the message contained nothing new, but merely reiterated a former promise.

DISASTER AT MALF.

Enormous Rock, on Which Stood Capuchin Hotel Slips Into Sea.

ROME, Dec. 23.—A terrible disaster took place this afternoon at Malfi, the popular tourist resort on the Gulf of Salerno.

About 2 o'clock an enormous rock, on which stood the Capuchin hotel, slipped bodily into the sea with a deafening roar, without a moment's warning, carrying with it the hotel, the old Capuchin monastery below, the Hotel Santa Clerina and several villas.

Many people were buried in the debris, which crushed four vessels to the bottom of the sea, destroying their crews. The mass of earth which slipped was about 50,000 cubic yards.

The population is in a state of terror, fearing fresh calamities. Troops have arrived on the scene and begun rescue work. It is believed that the loss of life is heavy, including a number of monks and the occupants of the hotels and villas. As yet it is impossible to ascertain the exact number.

Carnegie Increases Wages.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 23.—The Carnegie Steel company, limited, posted today at its various works in this vicinity, the Duquesne Steel works and blast furnaces, the Edgar Thompson Steel works, furnaces and foundry, the Carrie furnaces, the Homestead Steel works, the Lucy furnaces, the Keystone Bridge works, the Upper Union mills and the Lower Union mills, notices reading substantially as follows: "Taking effect on January 1, 1900, common labor at these works will be increased to \$1.50 per day, and all other day turn and tonnage labor (with certain exceptions) will be increased in proportion."

Bids for Alaska Mail Service.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The post-office has prepared circulars inviting proposals for carrying the mails next summer from both San Francisco and Seattle to St. Michaels and all points along the Yukon river as far as Dawson City, Canada; for Nome, Alaska, where the rush for gold seekers is expected next spring, and for additional service to offices on the Alaskan coast.

Indian Uprising in the West.

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 23.—Settlers living around Lalla lake in Chittca, B. C., have been attacked by Indians, who object to white settlers. Two weeks ago they surrounded Rancher Franklin and his neighbors and threatened to murder them if they did not leave the country. In a fight which followed several redskins were wounded. Becoming alarmed eight families started for Alexis Creek, but when three miles from home they were surrounded and captured and feared they would be shot.

THE BODY OF LAWTON

It is Brought From San Mateo by His Staff and Force of Cavalry.

NECESSARY TO BRIDGE THE RIVER

Body Placed in Vault at El Pazo Cemetery—Death Causes Mairerual Sorrow in Manila—Thirteen Americans Wounded—The Situation at the Front.

MANILA, Dec. 21.—Major General Lawton's body was brought from San Mateo to Manila, this afternoon, his staff and a body of cavalry acting as escort. It was found necessary to bridge the river.

The funeral will take place from his late residence here, a mansion formerly occupied by a Spanish general.

The body has been placed temporarily in a vault in El Pazo cemetery, where many of the American soldiers have been interred and a guard of honor will be maintained.

When Mrs. Lawton and her four children have completed their arrangements for returning to the United States the remains will be taken on a transport with an escort of officers for final interment, as is thought probable here, in Arlington cemetery.

General Lawton's death has caused universal sorrow in Manila. No American officer had greater popularity among all ranks and in his dealings with the natives he commanded their respect and confidence to a remarkable degree. The mayors whom he installed in the neighboring towns are arranging to attend the funeral in a body.

To his executive ability and personal leadership is chiefly due the brilliant execution of the plan of campaign in north Luzon, which has scattered the insurrectionary forces from San Isidro to the Gulf of Lingayen. That section of the island which had to be traversed during the very worst season of the year presented difficulties considered by all acquainted with it to be almost insurmountable, but General Lawton thoroughly covered the program assigned him.

When he reached Tayug and found that the other division had not arrived he went through to Dagupan on his own responsibility. Although he imposed great hardship on his men he invariably shared their lot cheerily.

Thirteen American officers, including three officers, were wounded in the engagement at San Mateo, where General Lawton was killed. Captain Breckenridge's wound is not considered dangerous, although the bullet penetrated his arm and side.

It is estimated that the insurgents numbered 500 and half of them were armed with rifles. The Americans numbered 1,300, but the command had been much depleted by sickness.

The wagon trains found the roads impassable and was obliged to return. The insurgents retired to the northeast leaving six dead.

They have other forces near Taytay. This region, although close to Manila, has proved the most difficult from which to dislodge the enemy. It is now reported that the insurgents intend to concentrate at Santa Cruz, Laguna province, and in the district east of Laguna de Bay.

The American secret service reports that Aguinaldo has joined the Marquina force.

CONDOLENCES FROM PRESIDENT.

McKinley Expresses Sorrow Over Death of Lawton.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The president today sent the following cablegram to General Otis:

"Executive Mansion, Dec. 21.—Major General Otis, Manila: I have learned with inexpressible sorrow of the death of Major General Lawton and ask to share with the officers and men of the Eighth corps in their grief. One of the most gallant officers of the army has fallen. At the time the sad news came to us his nomination as brigadier general of the regular army was made for transmission to the senate, but no rank can enhance his name. He rose from the ranks of the Ninth Indiana volunteer infantry, filling every grade in the service to that of major general of volunteers, and in three wars was conspicuous for bravery and devotion to duty. The country mourns the death of this intrepid leader. Convey to Mrs. Lawton my heartfelt sympathy in her overshadowing afflictions."

"WILLIAM MCKINLEY."

PROMINENT MEN HELPING BOERS.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 21.—Peter Van Schaack, ex-president of the Holland society of Chicago, said today that he knows of forty-eight men who are going from this city to join the Boer forces in the field, and that he expects the movement to grow until there will be an exodus of Dutch sympathizers from New York and other ports to South Africa. He said:

"Holland's people are patriotic. I know of men in Chicago who are going to fight with their countrymen in the Transvaal and who will pay their own expenses. The pro-Boer movement in this country has some big men behind it, such men as Mayor Van Wyck and Robert B. Roosevelt of New York. Of course, Mayor Van Wyck is compelled to work carefully because of his official position, but he is nevertheless active."

Logan Died a Hero's Death

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 21.—A letter written by Lieutenant Colonel Brerton of the Thirty-third infantry, who was with Major John A. Logan when he was killed has been received by Mrs. Logan. It sets at rest the story circulated that he was killed by his own men. The letter is dated San Fabian, November 12, and says: "Your husband died a hero, while leading in battle the command to which he had been assigned upon joining his regiment, the Third battalion. His battalion was the advance guard of the regiment in attack upon the town of San Jacinto."

CARNEGIE OPENS HIS PURSE.

Offers to Make the City of Lincoln Present a Library Building.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—Chairman Mercer of the public buildings and grounds committee today received a letter from Andrew Carnegie announcing that he would give \$75,000 to the city of Lincoln for a public library building, the Lincoln library having burned down in the disastrous fire of several months ago.

The conditions surrounding this gift, Mr. Mercer believes, will be the same as those exacted from other cities, Washington, Fairfield, Ia., Savannah and Pittsburg, that the city must donate a site and guarantee a certain yearly sum for its maintenance, which will probably amount to \$5,000.

This is the most munificent Christmas gift the state of Nebraska has ever received and will be, undoubtedly, accepted by the municipality of Lincoln. Carnegie has given in this way upwards of \$2,000,000 for libraries throughout the United States.

LINCOLN, Dec. 22.—Members of the Lincoln Public Library board have been corresponding with Andrew Carnegie for several weeks with a view to securing a donation for the construction of a library building, and although he spoke encouragingly of the plan from the start, it was not known till tonight that their efforts had met with success. It is supposed that the gift is made conditional on the city of Lincoln, making an annual appropriation of a specified sum for maintaining the library and purchasing new books and periodicals, and that it shall furnish a suitable site for the building, all of which will undoubtedly be complied with by the city council.

The Lincoln public library was destroyed by fire with the Masonic Temple building three months ago. Since then about 3,000 volumes have been collected for a new library and the available funds remaining in the treasury amount to about \$6,000. The annual levy made by the city council for the library is \$1 mill, which brings in a revenue of only \$5,000 a year. Unless the conditions are such that they cannot be complied with by the council, the donation, will, of course, be accepted.

SENATOR JONES FULL OF HOPE.

Says the Democratic Prospects Are Brighter Than Ever.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22.—Senator James K. Jones, chairman of the democratic national committee, looked into party affairs at headquarters in the Unity building today. He assured everybody that the prospects for democratic success next year are brighter than they were in 1896. He said only W. J. Bryan would be mentioned as candidate for president in the convention. The senator would not say where or when he thought the convention should be held. He denied a story sent from Washington that he had repudiated the system of collecting money for a campaign fund and had discharged Richard S. Taylor, one of the collectors.

"The system of collecting money," he continued, "was inaugurated by me. It has been a success and is worthy the support of all democrats. There are no differences between former Governor Stone and myself and never have been. I approve all he did while I was in Europe."

ONE LAWYER KILLS ANOTHER.

Counsel on Opposite Sides of a Case in a Fatal Duel.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 22.—A special to the post-Dispatch from Dallas, Tex., says: F. M. Etheridge, one of the most prominent lawyers in the city, today shot Attorney Edwin O. Harrell, who is equally well known, four times, in a crowded elevator in the North Texas building. Harrell died later at his home.

Harrell had a pistol half cocked in his hand as he fell in the lobby in front of the elevator shaft. Etheridge is in custody.

The men were employed as counsel on opposite sides in litigation involving cotton mill property and quarreled concerning professional affairs.

FILIPINOS BUY ARTILLERY.

Place Big Order for Heavy Guns With a Continental Firm.

LONDON, Dec. 22.—An authority who is to be relied upon for the information he gives told me yesterday that the Filipinos have placed a large order with a continental firm for artillery.

"But," I asked him, "where are the Filipinos getting the money?"

"Oh," he said, "they have plenty of money to keep things going."

Sheepmen Ask Legislation.

FORT WORTH, Tex., Dec. 22.—Four days of warm debate is promised during the annual convention of the National Live Stock association, which convenes here on the 16th of next month. The subjects which will cause these discussions are:

The reopening of the forest reserves to sheepmen; terminal charges at the Chicago market; feeding in transit rates on live stock shipments and the leasing of public lands.

May Call the Legislature.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Dec. 22.—Paul B. Moore, private secretary to Governor Stevens, in an interview today, expressed the opinion that Governor Stevens would call an extra session of the Missouri legislature some time in January, in an endeavor to secure the enactment of a law for the taxation of franchises. Governor Stevens is out of the city.

Prominent Man Suicides.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Winslow Robinson, a wealthy resident of Stapleton, S. I., died at his home there tonight from a pistol shot wound, inflicted an hour before. The police have reported the case as one of suicide. The family claim it was accidental shooting. Mr. Robinson had been in poor health for a long time.

Edgar G. Williams, 51 years of age, formerly a manufacturer of mechanical and iron toys, committed suicide in a Brooklyn hotel today by shooting himself through the heart, because of business and family troubles.

"If you'll help me by your advice, Sir Jasper," was the young man's reply, spoken with a proud humility that pleased the baronet vastly—"if you'll help me to prepare it for as good a woman as ever lived—I shall be grateful. I believe, when I bring her back, it will be the first home of real peace she has ever known in her life. I don't know why I speak thus to you, but you'll forgive me. If I'd had such a father—" He stopped in strong emotion, which he suppressed by a mighty effort, adding abruptly, "If I had had such a father, I should never have gone to Kimberley."

The Farm Beats the Mortgage.

There is a story from Buffalo County going the rounds that illustrates the resources of a Nebraska farm: A farmer up there from Missouri got discouraged because he didn't get rich the first year, and as there was a mortgage of \$700 on his farm, was about ready to jump the whole business, but determined to make one more effort and sowed eighty acres in wheat. It happened to be a poor year for wheat and the stand was not very good. Concluding that it wasn't worth harvesting he pulled up his stakes and moved back to Missouri, leaving the farm to fight the mortgage all by itself. The farm was equal to the occasion.

The wheat ripened, fell down and deposited the seed in the soil again. Next spring the wheat began to grow lustily. Some of the neighbors were honest enough to write about it down to the fugitive in Missouri, and he got interested enough to come back and take a look. Then he stopped and harvested his voluntary crop. He sold it for enough to pay off the mortgage and the rest of his debts and had a tidy little surplus over, with which he built his family back and now declares there is no state like Nebraska.—Lincoln (Neb.) Journal.

Purity of mind and conduct is the first glory of a woman.—Mme. de Staël.

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Childhood may do without a grand purpose, but manhood cannot.—Holland.

New Inventions.

Amongst the curious inventions patented last week was a baby carriage which can be converted into a cradle so that the child may be rocked; a bicycle or bicycle with but one wheel; a simple little pocket contrivance to manufacture cigarettes; a device for gauging and marking ladies' skirts; an apparatus for curling hat brims; a lister corn extirpator; a sail attachment to bicycles, and a rubber horse shoe.

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Trust that man in nothing who has not a conscience in everything.—Sterne.

A Boston Man Pleases.

In conversation with some friends, a prominent Boston man told of his sufferings from rheumatism and nervousness, and one of his friends gave him some advice, which will be mentioned later, and which has proven to be of incalculable value.

To successfully act on this advice, it was necessary to make a trip of over 2,600 miles, but he undertook it, and now thanks his friend for the advice, as he finds himself fully relieved of his old trouble and has returned to his home feeling able to cope with his business demands, a new man.

The advice given was to go to "Hot Springs," South Dakota, and there take the baths and enjoy the finest climate of any health resort in America.

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